

Alexander, Kerry

From: Vigroux, Kerran
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2019 8:28 AM
To: Alexander, Kerry
Subject: Fwd: Skin Course for tattoo artists

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Can you share this with the Board of Health for their consideration?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Zaza Ink <zazainktattoos@gmail.com>
Date: May 13, 2019 at 10:01:07 PM EDT
To: Joe Peterson <zazainktattoos@gmail.com>
Subject: Skin Course for tattoo artists

Hello Health Dept agents!

It has come to our attention that the skin class offered in Quincy, MA is no longer available. Having taught a similar course, for the past 10 years via our tattoo convention, the Massachusetts Tattoo & Arts Festival, Joe Peterson has decided to open the class to others outside of our show.

We would like to provide you information on this class for any tattoo artists, apprentices and permanent make-up techs you may have in your jurisdiction.

The course covers skin diseases, cross contamination and the role of tattoo artists in relation to these topics. The class will be held June 12th, in Worcester.

Please find a link to our website below.

Feel free to contact us with any questions.

Joe and Irene Peterson

Owner/operators of Zaza Ink, established 2001.

<https://www.matattooskincourse.com/>

Alexander, Kerry

From: Zaza Ink <zazainktattoos@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2019 1:04 PM
To: Alexander, Kerry
Subject: Re: Tattoo Skin Course

Oh, yes, absolutely. There is a test at the end requiring a passing grade of 75 or higher. Applicants who fail are able to retake the test at the next available course.

On Tue, May 14, 2019 at 12:48 PM Alexander, Kerry <KAlexander@lowellma.gov> wrote:

Do they take any kind of test at the end – similar to how Quincy did it?

From: Zaza Ink [mailto:zazainktattoos@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2019 12:41 PM
To: Alexander, Kerry
Subject: Re: Tattoo Skin Course

Hi Kerry,

This course only addresses skin issues and how tattooing affects them. It is not meant as a replacement for any other requirements. The fee is \$100.

Frequency will depend on demand, but approximately once every two to three months.

Class content covers common skin issues that a tattoo artist should be aware of. These include, but are not limited to: moles, birthmarks, psoriasis/ eczema, boils, warts, legions, MRSA [etc.as](#) well as ink reactions, stressing the importance of NOT diagnosing, but referring out should something be encountered.

Irene Peterson

On Tue, May 14, 2019, 9:02 AM Alexander, Kerry <KAlexander@lowellma.gov> wrote:

Hi

My Director has asked me to contact you to get more information regarding the skin class you're offering. Could you please send me any information pertaining to the course (class content, cost, frequency it will be offered, if it includes CPR/First Aid/BBP certification, etc.) so I can add it to our agenda for June 12th.

Thank you

Kerry Alexander

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Massachusetts Tattoo Skin Course

About the Course

The primary goal of the class is to educate tattooers on skin conditions and their relationship to tattooing. The course will last between an hour and half to two hours, depending on class discussion. A nonrefundable deposit will need to be made to reserve your spot in class, and the rest will be paid on the day of the class. Be sure to bring a valid ID with you.

ONE TIME COURSE

This course will only need to be taken once as long as you pass. No renewal needed.

CERTIFICATE

You will leave with your certificate at the end of the class if you pass the course.

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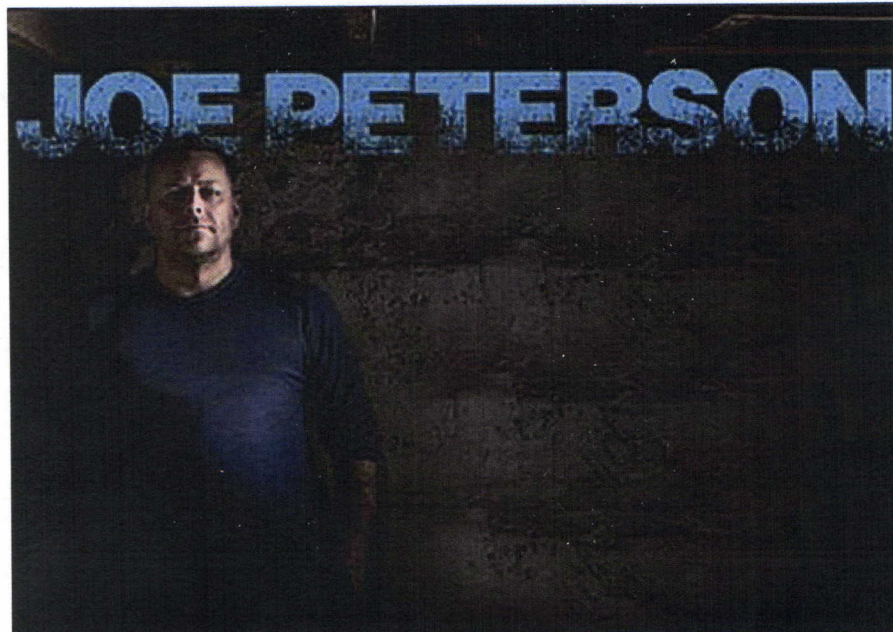
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ABOUT

Skin Course Instructor Joe Peterson

Joe Peterson is an award winning tattoo artist from West Boylston MA. Tattooing since the early 90's, he opened his shop in 2001. Joe has travelled extensively throughout his career learning from professionals across the nation. Over the years, he has had opportunities to help educate about the tattoo process with various speaking engagements at local schools, youth groups and art centers. Joe was invited by Senator Harriet Chandler to speak alongside herself and the late Dr. Bentkover at the state house regarding tattoo regulations. He has been teaching a variation of this skin course for 10 years at the Massachusetts Tattoo and Arts Festival to experienced tattoo artists with great response.